

G. CLAIMS

I claim:

1. snack food, the snack food having a formulation, the snack food comprising emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid,

wherein the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid is added in a prorated amount such that solids contained within the dietary fiber gel represent 0.1 percent to 5.0 percent by weight of the overall snack food formulation, and

the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid replaces an equal amount of fat used in an otherwise identical recipe of snack food that uses no emulsified liquid shortening compositions comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid.

2. chips, the chips having a formulation, the chips comprising emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid,

wherein the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid is added in a prorated amount such that solids contained within the dietary fiber gel represent 0.1 percent to 5.0 percent by weight of the overall chips formulation, and

the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid replaces an equal amount of fat used in an otherwise identical recipe of chips that uses no emulsified liquid shortening compositions comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid.

3. crackers, the crackers having a formulation, the crackers comprising emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid,

wherein the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid is added in a prorated amount such that solids contained within the dietary fiber gel represent 0.1 percent to 5.0 percent by weight of the overall crackers formulation, and

107 the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid
108 replaces an equal amount of fat used in an otherwise identical recipe of crackers that uses no
109 emulsified liquid shortening compositions comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid.

110 4. candy, the candy having a formulation, the candy comprising emulsified liquid shortening
111 composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid,
112 wherein the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and
113 lipid is added in a prorated amount such that solids contained within the dietary fiber gel represent
114 0.1 percent to 5.0 percent by weight of the overall candy formulation, and
115 the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid
116 replaces an equal amount of fat used in an otherwise identical recipe of candy that uses no
117 emulsified liquid shortening compositions comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid.

118 5. snack bars, the snack bars having a formulation, the snack bars comprising emulsified liquid
119 shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid,
120 wherein the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and
121 lipid is added in a prorated amount such that solids contained within the dietary fiber gel represent
122 0.1 percent to 5.0 percent by weight of the overall snack bars formulation, and
123 the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid
124 replaces an equal amount of fat used in an otherwise identical recipe of snack bars that uses no
125 emulsified liquid shortening compositions comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid.

126 6. granola bars, the snack bars having a formulation, the granola bars comprising emulsified
127 liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid,
128 wherein the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and
129 lipid is added in a prorated amount such that solids contained within the dietary fiber gel represent
130 0.1 percent to 5.0 percent by weight of the overall granola bars formulation, and

131 the emulsified liquid shortening composition comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid
132 replaces an equal amount of fat used in an otherwise identical recipe of granola bars that uses no
133 emulsified liquid shortening compositions comprising dietary fiber gel, water and lipid.